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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITIES REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS

----- THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

FOLLOWING ARE DAILY ACTIVITIES REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS  
FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 21. NEA, PM AND EB DID NOT SUBMIT  
A REPORT.

L - STEPHEN SCHWEBEL, ACTING

--SCHWEBEL REVIEWED A MEMORANDUM FOR ENDERS ON THE COMPLEX  
QUESTION OF WHETHER THERE IS LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY  
ENTITLING THE PRESIDENT TO COMMIT THE U.S. TO MEETING  
PETROLEUM REQUIREMENTS OF ISRAEL. THE CONCLUSION IS THAT  
AN ADEQUATE BUT FAR FROM UNCHALLENGEABLE ARGUMENT CAN BE  
MADE TO SUPPORT SUCH AUTHORITY.

--SCHWEBEL CONFERRED WITH THE ACTING SECRETARY, INR AND  
JUSTICE ON PROBLEMS OF THE APPLICATION OF THE VIENNA  
CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

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--SCHWEBEL PREPARED TALKING POINTS ON THE CHARTER OF  
ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES FOR THE SECRETARY'S  
UNGA CONVERSATION WITH MEXICAN FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA,  
AND CONFERRED WITH ARA ON SUGGESTED REVISIONS IN MATERIAL  
ON ECHEVERRIA'S CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION AS SECRETARY-

GENERAL.

--SCHWEBEL TALKED WITH ROGERS, LUERS AND L/OES ON LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE SPINY LOBSTER DISPUTE WITH THE BAHAMAS.

--SCHWEBEL REVIEWED THE LATEST TEXT OF THE SECRETARY'S U.N. SPEECH.

AF - EDWARD W. MULCAHY, ACTING

SOMALIA: BECAUSE EFFORTS OF EMBASSY MOGADISCIO FOR OVER TWO WEEKS TO GAIN CONSULAR ACCESS TO A JAILED YOUNG AMERICAN TOURIST HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL, I SPOKE WITH SOMALI AMBASSADOR ADDOU TODAY ABOUT THE CASE. I STRESSED HOW DAMAGING THIS CASE COULD BE TO HIS EFFORTS AND OURS TO BRING ABOUT CLOSER US-SOMALI RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY IF THE MATTER REACHES THE PRESS HERE. HE PROMISED TO SEND AN IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM URGING CONSULAR ACCESS TO THE PRISONER.

MOZAMBIQUE: I DISCUSSED THE CURRENT SCENE IN MOZAMBIQUE WITH PETER WALKER, OUR FORMER CONSUL GENERAL, WHO LEFT LOURENCO MARQUES FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AGO. HE IS BASICALLY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT OUR PROSPECTS FOR CULTIVATING WARM RELATIONS WITH THE PRESENT FRELIMO REGIME.

TOMORROW: NO SIGNIFICANT APPOINTMENTS.

H - MR. JENKINS (ACTING)

US - THE AGRICULTURAL OPEC

THE STAFF ASSISTANT TO CONGRESSMAN WEAVER RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS BILL TO CONTROL FOREIGN GRAIN SALES (H R. 9299) HAS INFORMED US THAT CHAIRMAN FOLEY HAS PROMISED TO HOLD A HEARING ON THE BILL THIS SESSION. THE BILL WOULD MAKE  
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THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION THE SOLE EXPORTING AGENT FOR RAW GRAINS AND SOY BEANS. THE CCC WOULD PURCHASE GRAIN FOR EXPORT FROM THE DOMESTIC MARKET AND RESELL IT OVERSEAS. THE CCC WOULD SET THE EXPORT PRICE AND COULD MAKE LONG TERM OR BARTER DEALS. OR, FARMERS COULD SET THEIR OWN PRICES AND CO-SIGN THEIR GRAIN TO THE CCC TO SELL. TRANSACTIONS BY PRIVATE GRAIN COMPANIES COULD CONTINUE BUT SUCH SALES WOULD BE ENTIRELY SUBJECT TO CCC APPROVAL. THE BILL WOULD NOT AFFECT P.L. 480. WEAVER HAS POINTED OUT THE TWO OTHER LARGE GRAIN EXPORTERS, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA, HANDLE GRAIN EXPORTS THROUGH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES BUT CAN'T FIX PRICES WITHOUT THE U.S. GEORGE MEANEY HAS ASKED TO TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL.

THE ULTIMATE FATE OF THE BILL WON'T BE CLEAR UNTIL  
AFTER THE HEARING BUT IT DOES HIT A SORE CONGRESSIONAL  
NERVE ABOUT GRAIN EXPORTS.

JACKSON'S REQUEST FOR SALT HEARINGS

JACKSON'S STAFF (FOSDICK AND PEARL) PHONED THIS AFTER-  
NOON TO SAY THAT THEY HAVE LEARNED THAT YOU HAVE DECIDED

NOT TO APPEAR BEFORE THE JACKSON SUBCOMMITTEE ON SALT I  
VIOLATIONS. AS A RESULT, THEY SAID, JACKSON WILL PUT OUT  
A PRESS RELEASE TOMORROW CRITICIZING YOUR DECISION.

EUR - JAMES G. LOWENSTEIN, ACTING:

GEORGE MCGHEE ON TURKEY. GEORGE MCGHEE TELEPHONED ME  
TO SAY THAT HE HAD TALKED TO A NUMBER OF CONGRESSMEN WHO  
HAD TOLD HIM THAT THEY REGRETTED THEIR VOTES ON TURKISH  
MILITARY ASSISTANCE AND INTENDED TO VOTE DIFFERENTLY THE  
NEXT TIME. HE SAID THAT HE WAS PREPARING AN ARTICLE ON  
THE TURKISH EMBARGO WHICH HE HOPES WILL APPEAR IN THE  
WASHINGTON POST AT ABOUT THE TIME CONGRESS RECONVENES.  
BILL EAGLETON IS PROVIDING HIM WITH INFORMATION AND  
SUGGESTED ARGUMENTS.

ROMANIAN RELATIONS. ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR BOGDAN CAME  
TO SEE JACK ARMITAGE TO DISCUSS CERTAIN MATTERS REQUIRING  
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FOLLOW-UP AFTER PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT. HE STRESSED  
ROMANIAN HOPE FOR AN EARLY US RESPONSE REGARDING THE  
PROSPECTS FOR A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT COVERING NUCLEAR  
ENERGY AND US APPROVAL OF EQUIPMENT SALES FOR A HEAVY  
WATER SYSTEM (HE HAD JUST YESTERDAY PRESENTED A LIST OF  
EQUIPMENT). MUCH OF THE EQUIPMENT MAY BE PURCHASED FROM  
CANADA, AND HE WANTED OUR POSITION PRIOR TO CEAUSESCU'S  
VISIT TO CANADA NEXT MONTH. ARMITAGE TOLD HIM NUCLEAR  
ENERGY QUESTIONS WERE PARTICULARLY COMPLEX BUT WE WOULD  
TRY TO HAVE AT LEAST A PRELIMINARY RESPONSE EARLY IN  
SEPTEMBER. ARMITAGE ALSO SAID THAT NEGOTIATIONS WERE PRO-  
CEEDING ON AN AGRICULTURAL STATEMENT FOR SIGNATURE DURING  
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE MICULESCU'S SEPTEMBER VISIT BUT  
DIRECTED HIS ATTENTION TO SOME DESIDERATA WE CONSIDERED  
IMPORTANT. IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT NEGOTIATIONS OF THE  
LONG-TERM ECONOMIC AGREEMENT WOULD BEGIN AFTER THE OCTOBER  
MEETING OF THE US-ROMANIAN JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION.

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SPINY LOBSTER -- SY WEISS CALLED THIS EVENING TO  
SAY THAT THE TALKS WITH THE BAHAMIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE  
VIRTUALLY BROKEN OFF. THE BAHAMANIANS DO NOT WANT TO

NEGOTIATE FURTHER. WEISS RETURNS TO WASHINGTON TOMORROW TO DISCUSS WHETHER THERE IS ANY NEW APPROACH THAT WILL INTEREST THE BAHAMANIANS IN AN INTERIM AGREEMENT. WE WILL ALSO DISCUSS TOMORROW CONTINGENCIES FOR HANDLING THE VIOLENCE THAT MAY TAKE PLACE WHEN CUBAN/AMERICAN FISHERMEN REACT TO THE BREAKDOWN OF TALKS.

THIRD COUNTRY SANCTIONS -- FOLLOWING BOB FUNSETH'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WE ARE LIFTING RESTRICTIONS AGAINST THIRD COUNTRY TRADING WITH CUBA, I GAVE A BACKGROUNDER. AS EXPECTED, THE QUESTIONS FOCUSSED ON THE IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S.-CUBAN BILATERAL RELATIONS. I EMPHASIZED THAT THIS ACTION WAS A LOGICAL SEQUENCE TO THE OAS DECISION IN SAN JOSE TO GIVE FREEDOM OF ACTION TO OAS MEMBERS TO CONDUCT THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH CUBA AS THEY SAW FIT AND IS NOT A BILATERAL MATTER BETWEEN U.S. AND THE CUBANS.

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EA - J. OWEN ZURHELLEN, JR.

OPIC CURTAILS EXTENT OF INVESTMENT INSURANCE COVERAGE IN THAILAND. OPIC, WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, RECENTLY INTRODUCED A POLICY GUIDELINE LIMITING THE AMOUNT OF NEW PRIVATE INVESTMENT INSURANCE IN THAILAND. THE POLICY COULD HAVE SERIOUS POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC RAMIFICATIONS IN THAILAND, BY SUGGESTING THE USG LACKS CONFIDENCE IN THAILAND'S STABILITY. LES EDMOND TODAY DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH AN OPIC OFFICIAL, AND OPIC HAS NOW AGREED TO RECONSIDER THE POLICY GUIDELINE.

IO - BUFFUM.

HELD DAY-LONG CONSULTATIONS WITH POLITICAL DIRECTOR OF ITALIAN FOREIGN OFFICE PLAJA ON ALL ASPECTS OF SPECIAL AND REGULAR SESSIONS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PLAJA MADE A STRONG PITCH TO BE INFORMED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS OF PRINCIPAL PROPOSALS WHICH THE SECRETARY INTENDS TO ADVANCE IN HIS SPEECH TO THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION, NOTING THAT THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER AS PRESIDENT OF EC-9 WILL WANT TO REFLECT SUPPORT FOR THESE PROPOSALS IN HIS OWN SPECIAL SESSION SPEECH.

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